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Applic	ant he	erewith submits to the Unite	ed States Designated/Elec	ted Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:
1.	\boxtimes	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
2.		This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
3.	Ø	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6 (9) and (24) indicated below.		
4.	\boxtimes	The US has been elected (Article 31).		
5.	\boxtimes	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))		
		a. 🛛 is attached here	to (required only if not com	municated by the International Bureau).
		b. has been comm	unicated by the Internation	al Bureau.
		c. \square is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).		
6.	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).			Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
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		b. has been previo	usly submitted under 35 U	
7 .	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))			cation under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
		a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).		
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		c. have not been n	nade; however, the time lin	nit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
		d. 🛛 have not been n	nade and will not be made.	
8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9.	\boxtimes	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). (Unexecuted)		
10.		An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).		
11.	\boxtimes	A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).		
12.	\boxtimes	A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).		
Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:				
13.		An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
14.		An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
15.		A FIRST preliminary amendment.		
16.		A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.		
17.		A substitute specification.		
18.		A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.		
19.		A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.		
20.		A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
21.		A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
22.		Express Mail Label No.		
23.	\boxtimes	Other items or information:		
		Form PCT/RO/101 Form PCT/RO/105 Form PCT/ISA/220 Form PCT/ISA/210	Form PCT/IPEA/416 Form PCT/IPEA/409 Form PCT/IB/308 Cover page of Internations	37 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1A-15C) al Publication (WO 2004/038124 A1)

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Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. U.S. APPLICATION NO (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER PCT/JP03/13509 **SNK-001-US** Applicant use Office use \$300.00 \$300.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$500.00 \$500.00 **TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =** \$1000.00 \$1,000.00 Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. **Total Sheets** Number of each additional 50 or RATE Extra Sheets fraction thereof (round up to a whole - 100 = /50 = \$ \$0.00 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the \$ \$130.00 earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). RATE CLAIMS **NUMBER FILED** NUMBER EXTRA Total claims 13 - 20 = n \$50.00 \$0.00 Y Independent claims 2 - 3 = 0 \$ \$200.00 \$0.00 х MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) \$360.00 \$0.00 **TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =** \$ \$1,130.00 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are \$0.00 reduced by 1/2. SUBTOTAL = \$1,130.00 Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from \$0.00 the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). \$ \$1,130,00 TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be \$0.00 accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property **TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =** \$1,130.00 Amount to be refunded: \$ Amount to be charged: a. X A check in the amount of \$ \$1,130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. to cover the above fees. in the amount of A duplicate copy of this sheet is The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0481 . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to R 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Sean M. McGinn, Esq. SIGNATURE Customer No. 21254 Sean M. McGinn, Esq. McGinn & Gibb, PLLC 8321 Old Courthouse Road NAME Suite 200 34,386 Vienna, VA 22182-3817

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